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# DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

I, Peter J. Johnson hereby declare as follows:

- 1. I, Mike Petryszak and Robert S. Aull are the joint inventors of the subject matter described and claimed in the above-identified patent application.
- 2. Prior to February 19, 2001, I, Mike Petryszak and Robert S. Aull conceived the invention as described and claimed in the above-identified patent application in this country, as evidenced by the following:
  - a. After I, Mike Petryszak and Robert S. Aull conceived the optical fiber cable and core described in the above-identified application, and prior to February 19, 2001, I, Mike Petryszak and Robert S. Aull disclosed the invention to James Curley who, at that time, was employed by the assignee of the subject application as a technical analyst to whom inventions were communicated; and b. Upon information and belief, said James Curley communicated the disclosure to a patent attorney, Lorimer P. Brooks, prior to February 19, 2001, and as a result thereof, I, Mike Petryszak and Robert S. Aull received, reviewed and marked up

prior to Eebruary 19, 2001 a draft of the specification for the specification of the subject application. A copy of the so-reviewed and marked copy of the draft of the specification is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Upon information and belief, said James Curley sent the so revised and marked copy of the specification to said Lorimer P. Brooks prior to February 19, 2001.

- 3. Upon information and belief, said Lorimer P. Brooks revised the draft of the specification attached hereto as Exhibit A and sent a copy of the revised draft to said James Curley. Attached as Exhibit B is a redacted copy of a letter with enclosure from said Lorimer P. Brooks which is dated prior to February 19, 2001 and with which, upon information and belief, the revised specification and claims identified in the letter were enclosed.
- 4. Conception of our invention was coupled with reasonable diligence beginning immediately prior to February 19, 2001, until the filing of the application on July 5, 2001, as evidenced by the following activities:
  - a. The draft of the application, attached as Exhibit B, was reviewed and revised;
  - b. Upon information and belief, Tables I and II appearing in the specification of the above-identified application were prepared and subsequently revised;
  - c. Upon information and belief, Fig. 5 of the above-identified application was prepared;
  - d. Upon information and belief, the prior draft, attached as Exhibit B, was revised to include Tables I and II and Fig. 5 and the descriptions thereof appearing in the specification of the above-identified application;

e. The revised application identified as "d" above was reviewed and changes were requested;

f. Upon information and belief, formal drawings were prepared and the specification was revised to include changes requested as set forth in "e" above; g. I, Mike Petryszak and Robert S. Aull received and reviewed the specification and formal drawings identified in "f" above along with a declaration and an assignment. I, Mike Petryszak and Robert S. Aull, reviewed the latter specification and formal drawings, the declaration and the assignment, and each of us signed, on July 5, 2001, and dated the declaration and the assignment; and h. Upon information and belief, the specification, the formal drawings and the signed and dated declaration identified in "g" above were transmitted to said Lorimer P. Brooks, who transmitted the specification, the formal drawings and the signed and dated declaration to the Patent and Trademark Office on July 5, 2001.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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- 3. I have read the Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 executed by Peter J.

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- 4. The facts and statements set forth in the Declaration identified in ¶ 3 immediately above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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